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ABSTRACT

A holographic recording medium comprising a first substrate and a second substrate having a holographic recording layer between the first substrate and the second substrate, the holographic recording layer containing:

- (A) a binder compound having a reactive group;
- (B) a polymerizable compound having an ethylenic double bond;
 - (C) a photoinitiator; and
- (D) a cross-linking agent which reacts with the reactive group in the binder compound,

wherein the photoinitiator contains a compound represented by Formula (1):

Formula (1)

$$\mathsf{Dye}^{+} \left[\begin{array}{c} \mathsf{R}_1 \\ \mathsf{R}_4 - \mathsf{B} - \mathsf{R}_2 \\ \mathsf{R}_3 \end{array} \right]$$

wherein Dye⁺ is a cationic dye, each R¹ to R⁴ is independently a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, aryl, aralkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, heterocylic group or a cyano group, provided that two or more of R¹ to R⁴ can form a ring.